

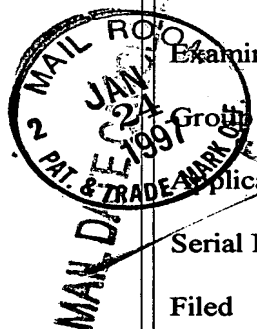


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Examiner : C. Tsang
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Applicants : Coates et al.
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Hon. Assistant Commissioner
For Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a 4 month extension of time to file an Appeal Brief relating to a Notice of Appeal dated August 19, 1996. With the extension, an Appeal Brief is due on or before January 23, 1997. A check in the amount of \$1,470.00 in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(d) is enclosed herewith.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,



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